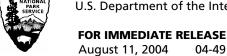
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Domestic Calf Found Dead In Northeast Corner of Grand Teton National Park

Superintendent Mary Gibson Scott announced today that a 400-pound Hereford calf was apparently killed by a wolf sometime late Tuesday, August 10, or early Wednesday, August 11, on the Elk Ranch grazing allotment near Moran Junction in Grand Teton National Park. Two federal wolf program staff discovered the carcass this morning, August 11, at about 9 a.m. and accompanied the range rider for the Porter-Gill grazing permitee to the site. Following wolf-related depredation protocol, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's wolf program coordinator, Mike Jimenez, was immediately notified. Jimenez inspected the carcass and verified that the domestic calf was killed by a wolf. This depredation marks the first confirmed livestock kill by a wolf in Grand Teton National Park.

Wolves from the Teton Pack have denned in the area known as the Elk Ranch since 1999 with virtually no livestock-related incidents. Staff monitoring wolf activity for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service noted that wolves have been recently traveling near the grazing cattle herd on a daily basis - without incident - to hunt and kill elk on the east bank of the Snake River.

Wolves, mountain lions, and both black and grizzly bears frequent the Elk Ranch. Park staff will monitor the Elk Ranch area and no management actions will be implemented at this time.

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